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THE memorial of the citizens of the northwest section of the city directed to congress deserves the attentive consideration of that body. Its statements reveal a condition of affairs widely different from those due to popular report.

THE second of our series of articles devoted to an exposition of the needs of the navy appears to-day. No one who reads them carefully can fail to derive entertainment and instruction therefrom. The essential difference between the naval needs of this country and foreign powers is not forth with commendable

THE bouse cannot afford to insist upon the passage of the Eaton bill for counting the electoral vote. It is an un wise and prejudicial measure, and we are glad to note that the senate bill now before the house, and known as the Hoar bill, has strong advocates upon the democratic side. Twice has the Hoar bill passed the senate, and the house should not fail at this session to make it a law.

Mr. CLEVELAND is promised a very up happy time for the next few days. He will have to entertain Money's boom, Springer's boom, Garland's boom, Mclocald's boom, and all the other booms, big and little, whose storm centers are rapidly moving to the direction of New It is to be hoped he will bear his trials with as much fortitude as may be possible under the circumstances.

THE New York Sun takes exception to the report of the civil service commission of that state in which they address the governor to whom the report is made as "his excellency." It shows that in only two states of the union is a title conferred by the constitution, viz. Massachusetts and New Hampshire. The spelling of the proper names by the commission is also made the subject of criticism. It is not surprising, therefore, that the salaries and perquisites of the commission have been cut down by the logislature. It might be well to have a commission to examine the commission upon its quali-

HAINES has forced the democracy to come to him, to take him after heaping unlimited abuse upon him, and finally to elect him speaker of the Illinois legislature. It is another instance of the mountain coming to Mahomet. Should it turn out that the senatorship wees to the republicans, this will only be another instance of saveral this year where the democratic party in attempting trades for political power in legislatures has sold itself cheap. Thus far Haines appears to be the only man who has made anything out of his connection with the Illinois legislature. The democratic party stultified itself in electing him, and the republicans can well afford to abide the issue presented. The course of the republicans nas been consistent and henorable, and they have done wisely in refusing all overtures from such a mercenary char-

THE Cincinnati Engairer of last Wednesday makes some charges against Civil civil service, however extensive his re-Service Commissioner Thoman which movals of "offensive partisans" from office should lead to a red-hot libel suit or a may be, he cannot afford to allow his party vacancy in the board of commissioners. It is directly charged that he is often grossly intoxicated and addicted to unmentionable associations; but more serious still is the charge that he lost a part of the funds of the commission in cambling, and had to borrow from a New York newspaper friend to replace his losses. Other indiscretions are mentioned which may be regarded as merely frills around the more important coating of dubious report with which the Enquirer has clothed Mr. Pendicton's protege. hard to see how such charges can be disregarded. Judge Thoman is a distin guished democrat, holding a distinguished position. It is due to the celebrated reform tendencies of his party that he should clear his skirts from the charges in Mr. Mel.ean's paper. Especially from the beingus imputation that he is "a sucker" and the "sole producer" in the game of poker, in which it is charged be habitually figures as a

The Future of the Indian.

A mere glance back at the condition of the Indians twenty years ago, and a survey of what it is now, is sufficient to show that great and hopeful improvement has been wrought in their habits as a race, and also in their relations to the encreaching whites. The spectacle of the Apaches settling down to peaceful habits and making a promising start in stockraising and farming under the firm but friendly guidance of Gen. Crook' is something that would not have been be loved in a few years ago. The results the red men speak loudly in favor of the correctness of a policy that aims to treat them with humanity and justice

So much having been schieved that it is evident the Indians can be made selfsupporting with proper management, to consider the adoption of a general, consistent, and settled policy to bring about that end. The policy that recognizes them as a sort of foreign power within ur borders should be abandoned and one substituted that looks to their investment with the rights of citizenship as spendily as may be sessible. Their tribal distinctions should be broken up, their lands divided among them in severally under proper safeguards, and the protection of the same laws thrown around them that

opinion, and as keen comprehensica of sames involved as does the white man, Much less promising elements have been taken into the crucible of citizenship and fixed into the general mass without detriment to the whole than the few hundred thousand Indians who somer or later must be vested with all the rights and privileges of American citizenship.

Can He Remain Silent?

Senator Bayard in opposing the ratification of the Nicaragua treaty based his opposition on the ground that its ratification would embarrass the incoming ad-ministration. Accepting this as the voice of President Cleveland, speaking through the alleged selected premier of his administration, many democratic senators voted with Senator Bayard in rejecting it. As far as the public is concerned, and it may be said as far as the majority of the democratic senators were influenced by Senator Bayard's speech, his views were only potential in that they were understood to reduct those of President Cleveland. Therefore the country understands that the treaty was rejected, not upon any apparent defects therein, nor because it was un-American, but because incoming administration was opposed to the republican party reaping any credit from the enactment of a wise and beneficial messure. If these are not President Cleveland's views he should speak out and repudiate the assumption of Saustor Bayard,

Already from his silence upon public measures the democratic party in congress has drifted without leadership, has successfully managed to array itself upon the wrong side of important questions and has almost reached that state where the forty-eighth congress will be remembered only for its failures in legislation But four weeks remain for it to redeem itself in public esteem and confidence. It is a short time, but much may be accomplished in the briof space remaining if there is a resolute purpose to meet publie requirements. Important bills sent down from the senate are upon the table of the house ready for action. Arbitrary rules and an undefined policy upon important measures have defeated the consideration of these questions. A deter mination upon the part of the majority of the house to act would immediately wipe away all obstructions. The present indifference of the democratic leaders to public demands is in part due to the natural tendency of that party to obstruction, and in part to the lack of recog nized leadership. There is a dallying with legislation because of the uncertainty of the policy of the executive after the 4th of March. If President Cloveland should outline to the representative men of his party his views upon public measures, it is certain they would be most happy to anticipate his desires. Can he under the circumstances afford to remain sileut?

Should he say to leading democratic senators that he wished them to set upon the Nicaragua and other treaties now pending before the senate solely upon their merits, there is no doubt that a reconsideration could be had of the vote of Thursday, and that the most important of all the treaties would be ratified Should he say to the democratic leaders of the house that he desired action upon important bills now ponding before that body it is unneccessary to add that the house would settle itself to work and do much to retrieve its past shortcomings. Whether as republicans or democrats, we are equally interested in that legislation which shall prove most beneficial to this country. It is time now for partisanship to cease and patriotism to begin. The one man to produce the change is the president-elect. His voice will be influential. His views will have weight. The prosperity of his administration depends in a great measure upon the successful termination of the existing administration. A waste of time and opportunities by this congress will embarrass him from the start, even if it does not necessitate an extra session of congress. He must remember that he is president of the whole country and not of a party. Whatever his views upon movals of "offensive partisans" from office to ignore the crying demands of the present in the hope that the future will make all things right. Gladly as the country welcomed his letter upon the civil service question, still more gratefully will it receive an intimation from him to his party leaders that he wishes them to do something before the close of this session to obviate any necessity for an extra session and to pass necessary egislation now pending in congress Here is an opportunity for Mr. Cleveland. Will be improve it?

AMUSEMENTS.

NEXT WEEK'S ATTRACTIONS. The advance sale of seats for the Irving engagement at Albaugh's has been very large. Most of the choice places for that entire week have been disposed of. An examination of the box sheet shows that the sate has been largest for the "Morchant of Venice" and "Much Ado About Nothing," in both of which Miss Terry appears with Mr. Irving. Aside rom the great artistic success of their engage sent, it will prove airmusually profitable one The box sheet is open at the Opera House from 9 o'clock a. m. until 6 p. m. daily. The repertoire for the week is published in another

column.

Notwithstanding the engagement at Albaugh's of the two bright English stars, the
sale of reserved seats for Miss Fanny Davenport's new play "Fedora," which is to be produced at the National Thestor next week, has
been very gratifying. Miss Davenport is an
acknowledged leader of the emotional school
in America, and the new play is said to be the
best in which she has ever appeared. The
rehness and claborateness of the constitute
will prove a great attraction to the ladies,
saids from her meritass an actress. "Fedora'
will be given at every performance next
week, but judging from the demand for reserved seats those that want choice locations
must go early.

Carris-Swale, who opens at Ford's Monday
evening, is an old favorite in this clay. She
brings a new play, written specially for her,
eattiled "The Little Joker." It gives ample
scope for her bright, rollicking siye of acting,
and with its soings and dances makes a mest
charming entertainment. Miss Swain is socompanied by an excellent company, who
make the most of the parts assigned them. Who
leading main Mr. William A. Lackey, is a native of this city, and ene of the most promising
come who have ever goine out from
liere.

"FAUL AND VIRGINIA" Notwithstanding the engagement at Al-

will be given to night at Albangh's Grand Opera House by well-known local amateurs. Preparations have been in progress for several weaks, and it is expected that it will proven one of the great social as well as musical events of the season. New scenery has been expressly painted for this performance. A large and carefully selected orchestra will remiter the orchestral parts of the opera, from a specially prepared score, and the tolles whill remove there. Already the greater part of the scale here. Already the greater part of the scale have been soid, the whole house being reserved. "PAUL AND VIRGINIA"

Necessarily all this cannot be done in a day, but it can be effected within such bounds that in a goneration or so the Indian will be absorbed in the body politic and be simply a minor component in the great mass of American citizenship. He is naturally of a good order of brain power, and those who have been in the Indian territory for any length of time do not need to be told that the red brother takes to the game of politics with as much cagerness, as much tenacity of pany, at the latter.

THE MATINESS TO-DAY.

Maggies Mitchell has reserved her favorite play for her closing performance here, and ives "Fauchon, the Cricket." at the mannee and year make the little lady's popularity are lady of the lady's popularity are make the little lady's popularity are make the little lady's popularity are make the little lady's po THE MATINESS TO-DAY.

DRAMATIC FEUILLETON

As a rule I am not "mashed" on foreign actors, certainly not on English actors. Most of them, I am convinced, regard us much as we regard Australia or South America, come here only to garner in our casy shekets, take them with completent condescession, think anything good enough to give us in return, and having systems us all the case has been supported. and having gathered up all they can, hie the nome with shuddering haste to tell of American guilibility and vulgarity. This, I say many foreign actors do, but the English do I with a peculiar air of insolent self-righteousne

hat beggare description and challenges credi ity. I am not so unreasonable as to sek then o prefer this country to their own, nor do outplain of their carrying off our minter What I object to is the assumption hat anything is good enough for Americans i that anything is good enough for Americans it it only bears hirlish or foreign trade-mark, and the all-you are good for any how is to be bled air with which they shake the dust from their feet on leaving these shores. Of this species of foreigner we had many culminating in Drear Wilde, who had absolutely nothing to give it return for the money he charged for admission to his wapid "hectures." Wilde was the calmi-nation but not the end of this distressing af liction, for since his shameless tour we have had other Englishmen, and women, too, here with little to offer, but with unbounded trust

American simplicity.

For the sins of this species of shamelers catle, actors of real merit have had to suffer brough the prejudice which sprung up against the whole tribe of percentiating e-eigners. The critics especially, came to feel it incumbent on them to find all possible fault with foreign actors and actresses. To this feeting in great measure has been due the unfriendly comments which Mr. Irving's representa-tions continue to draw forth from a few bitter theatrical writers in different parts of the

country. Now, I think if ever a foreign dramatic roupe deserved well of the American public, t is this one of firving's. They earn all they make, and in the management of the organizaion there is none of that disposition to all they get so frequently shown, even in the all they get so frequently shown, even in the most successful companies. If their prices are high and their receipts large the original out-lay and the current exponses are in propor-tion. Mr. Irving's representations of the great dramas which he undertakes, if they are not erfect, are so nearly so as to disarm just criticism and to produce an effect of all-round comfort in witnessing them which has assur-edly never before been attained by any troupe ring the present generation. There is no etrying to settle the vexed question as to during the present generation. There is no use trying to sottle the vexed question as to whether or not Mr. Irving is a great actor or artist. That he does not possess the supreme graces of presence, movement, and voice which distinguish Salvini is plate to all observers, but he does possess keen intelligence and vast experience, sud the masterful bearing in all situations which comes of the latter.

The numerous self-constituted theatrical re tiring boards which sit steadily in hearly every dramatic newspaper office in the coun-try, have been unusually active the present season. Had they means of enforcing the edicts promulgated by them since the theatri-cal new year, the American stage next season would be a howling wilderness of ham-fat, histrionic verdure, mediocrity and general ompetence. Booth, Modjeska, Lotta, Maggie Mitchell, and the few others who would save our stage were it condemned to share the fate of Sodom and Gomerrah of old, have been marked by these people for retirement at the end of the season, but happily in every case transpires they have spoken without au-tority. The three first named are making reparations for unusually brisk campaigns ct year; and I have it on the best authority that Miss Mitchell has no thought of vacating the piece on the stage which for so many years she has filled, and which were she gone must remain empty for years, if not forever, Her retirement would be felt as a personal loss in thousands of families all over the country, for no other actor or actress on our stage, with the possible exception of Jefferson, has become so endeared to the hearts of the

A good tory comes to me of the friendship existing between Sara Berahardt and Fanny Davenport—the two "Fedoras" Sara is an ardent admirer of Fanny and was the recipient of many courtesies from the American ent of many courtesies from the American actress while in this country. When Sardou was in hesitancy as to whom he should give the American rights to "Fedora," Bernhardt wrote to him, "If you want your American production to combine all the elements of an production to combine are estimated in artistic and financial success, let Miss Davenport have it." When Bernhardt met Miss Davenport in Paris the French actress spoke in cordial remembrance of Miss Davenport's our three years ago, made in honorable rival-y to Bernhardt, and reverted tenderly to the compliment which Miss Davenport paid her one evening in Detroit. They had both just closed a week's engagement against each other which was remarkable for the fervent na tional pride which had been engendered. A band of enthusiastic Detroiters were screnad-ing the American actress; they had just fluished "Yankee Doodle" when Miss Davenport ished "Yankee Doodle" when Miss Issenport called from her window, "Don's forget your neighbor (Bernhardt), a stranger. Please give us now the "Marselllaise." At this request the crowd cheered and cried, "Good! that's noble!" but the band besitated, for the French national air was not in their serenading re petoiro. Miss Davenport, however, insisted saying, "Never mind your music! go on! go ou !" and when the cornet struck the key note, she stood up in her window and beat time for

the screnaders all through that martial hymn.

Proofs accumulate of the morbid sensitiveness of our local management, to which I alluded recently. My remarks regarding the undeniable tendency of the popular inclina tion towards the cheaper places of amuse-ment were not well received by the chiefs of the higher houses. Somehow they got the idea into their heads that the moral I inended to be drawn was that the legitimate thesters would have to come down to meet the prices charged at the variety halls. Noth-ing of the kind was in my head at the time, although now I can see such a deduction might be got from the facis cited. What I by pandering systematically and stopidly to the lower tastes of the people, instead of en-deavoring to refine and slevate them, had so thoroughly vittated their dramatic appetites that they rather preferred variety performances to anything else, and sought out the variety people in their native haunts, at small expense, in preference to paying high prices to them in the legitimate theaters. reasonable person can expect to witness a really meritorious dramatic or operatio performance for a operatio dime.

quarter dime, nor even for a quarter, any more than they would expect to get such a dinner as Chamberlin or Welcker can furnish at a 25-cent bash house. I do lament the fact that the legitimate stage is too frequently occupied by variety performances. I think these should be relegated to the museums, and that

only plays of a high order should be presented at first class theaters. In this connection, next week we are to have two fine companies from which to select our amusement. Of Mr. Irving's well-balanced our anusament. Of sir. Young wen command and magnificent management I have already spoken. I am told that Miss Darcuport is following the example set by the English actor, and has surrounded hersolf with a carefully effected and competent company. or own talents are admitted, and in "Fe ra" she has found a part which is peculiarly adapted to her abilities and for the persons tion of which she has received the warmes praise. She justly inherits her dramatic centus from her father, the late E. L. Davenort, who was to my mind one of the nished actors who have ever grace

American stage. Circulating Mediums. The secretary of state has, at the re-

quest of the secretary of the treasury, addressed to the representatives of the United States in the principal countries of the world, the list of questions pro-posed by the director of the mint for the purpose of ascertaining the character and standards of the circulating mediums of those countries, and the latest information respecting their monetary affairs These inquiries embrace the production of the mines, columns, and movement of the precious metals, the character and amount of the circulating mediums, as well as the money of account, and the premium or discount of the other circulating mediums in respect thereto.

WASHINGTON SOCIETY

Interesting Gossip as to the Movements of Persons Prominent in So-

Contributions for the social column will be received up to Friday afternoon of each neek.] The President has not yet decided upon the date of his next evening reception, which is to be to the public, and there is promise of a more and more formidable crowd of handsbakers being in attendance for every week that it is delayed. On next Wednesday evening he will dine the justices of the supreme court and their wives. Mrs. McElroy will receive at the white

house this afternoon from 3 to 5 o'clock. Miss May McElroy, who has been expected for more than a week, arrived on Thursday evening, and will remain as one of the President's family until March. On Wednesday there were not as many

On Wednesday there were not as many callers out as usual, and the icy streets made it dangerous for both horses and pedestrians. Many ladies who saw how their horses were slipping and sliding over the icy places, dismissed their carriages, preferring to finish their calls on foot. Mrs. McElroy was among those making the cabinet calls this week.

At Mrs. Frelinghnysen's during the later hours the gas and lamp lighted rooms were filled with a sociable company. Mrs. Bowditch and Miss Lucy Frelinghnysen assisted the hostess in receiving, and Miss Tillie Frelinghuysen, scated at the low table in the dining room, made

and Miss Tillie Frelinghuysen, seated at
the low table in the dining room, made
and poured tea quite steadily for the company that gathered about her.
Mrs. McCulloch has her sister, Mrs.
Myers, of Piainfield, N. J., with her as
her guest this week, and with her nieces,
Miss Myers and Miss Kauffman, her
cousin, Miss Cox, and her daughter, Miss
Mary McCulloch, had a corps of agrecable
assistants on Wednesday afternoon.
Mrs. Chandler's sister, Mrs. Kinsley, received for her on Wodnesday afternoon
assisted by Mrs. Robert Bradley. As
Mrs. Chandler is still unable to see
visitors, there will not be any more Wednesday afternoon receptions at her house

needay afternoon receptions at her house nesday afternoon receptions at her house during these two remaining weeks of the season, much to the regret of the large circle to whom her home was a center of attraction. Secretary Chandler gave a very handsome dinner party on Monday evening to Admiral Nichols, who is soon to retire, and the heads of the bureaus of the party descriptor. to restro, and the heads of the breass of the navy department, and the members of the naval advisory beard completed the company of twenty-two that ast down to the table. On next Monday evening Secretary Chandler will give another dinner party members board to gentlemen.

Mrs. Hatton was assisted at her recop-

tion on Wednesday by Miss Perry, Miss Prout, Miss Strong, and Miss Patterson, of New York. Mrs. Hatton's toilet was a very rich combination of dark marcon velvet and satin, with front of pale pink velvet brocaded with roses in colors.

Mrs. Browster had a bost of callers on

Mrs. Browster had a loss of cators on Wednesslay, many of them having en-joyed her hospitalities on Monday even-ing. She was assisted by her daughter, Mrs. Koons; by Mrs. Dunbar Price, Miss Rockwell, and Miss McKeever. Mrs. Teller had a pleasant reception on Wednesday and was assisted by Mrs.

Mrs. Teller had a pleasant reception on Wednesday, and was assisted by Mrs. Frye, Mrs. Bruce, Mrs. Bidwell, and Miss Emma Teller. Everyone had congratulations to offer upon Secretary Teller's return to the senate, and noticeable in her parlor was the large gilt baskets of rare roses, hyacinihs, narcissus, and orchids, sent the secretary by his Colorado friends in Washington. friends in Washington.
At Mrs. Carlisle's there was a large

At Mrs. Carlislo's there was a large group of ladies assisting her, among them being Mrs. Steele, Mrs. Sevier, Mrs. Allunt, Mrs. Townshend, Miss Ballentine, and the Misses Looney.

Mrs. Logan had as usual the largest reception of Thursday afternoon, and after her cordial greeting at the doorway the visitors were cared for by her assistants, Mrs. Dudley, Mrs. Burgess, the Misses Ingersoll, Miss Bridgman, Miss Thomas, Miss Pussy, Miss Wakefield, the Misses Cullen, and her daughter, Mrs. Tucker.

Tucker.
Mrs. Warner Miller was assisted in en-Mrs. Warner Milter was assisted in en-tertaining a large number of callers on Thursday afternoon by her sister, Miss Churchill; her niece, Miss Roots, and by Mrs. Isase Bromley, of Rochester; Mrs. Hiscock, and Mrs. Millard. Mrs. Don Canoron and Miss Sherman

Mrs. Don Cameron and Miss Sherman had many visitors on Thursday afternoon, Theater parties are being planned for all the evenings of next week, and society means to repeat the ovation of last season to Irving. Much speculation is being indulged in as to whether Ellen Terry will be paid the same social sttentions as heretofore. There was great surprise expressed in other parts of the country at the attentions shown her during her last visit to Washington and ambassas. ing her hat visit to Washington, as it is not costomary for an actress with her ex-tended list of living husbands to be re-ceived in the best society, breakfasted by ceived in the best society, breakfasted by and called on by Indies of good positions. According to mayal tallies there are fifteen "Lancaster families" at Nice this winter, and the census of female relations of the officers of the Quinnebaug and other ships of the fleet figures out quite an American colony by itself. Secretary Chandler's ears must have burned when

that "Pinafore" company heard of the orders sending the flagship to the Congo

Mrs. James Wadsworth has issued cards for a ball at Wormley's on Monday evening, Feb. 9.
Mr. and Mrs. George Frelinghuyson, of

mr. and Mrs. George Freingauyson, of Newark, are the guests of Secretary and Mrs. Frelinghuyson this week. Secretary Lincoln was accompanied to the white heuse on Tuesday evening by his daughter, Miss Mamie Lincoln, who were a simple dress of white nuns, veiling and less.

and lace.
Senator-elect Evarts, of New York, who Senator-elect Evarts, of New York, who came to the city last week to strend the funeral of Mrs. Stanley Matthews, was the guest of Justice and Mrs. Blatchford until Monday, when he returned home. Mr. Evarts was accompanied by his daughter, and while here was interested

ing his health and strength and deriving great benefit from his trip.

Senator Hill and his family have started for Washington, and will have quarters at the Arlington until March.

Mrs. Frelinghuysen is receiving many humorous congratulations upon the inheritance soon to come to her through the settlement of the French spoliation claims. Her grandfather, a New York shipping merchant, lost several ships by French cruisers and bequeathed his claim to his descendants. French spoliation claims have long been considered to have such a poor chance before congress, that owners of claims have considered the matter simply in the light of a fable or joke, and now that the government is about that the government is about

season.

Mrs. George W. Steele, of Indiana, reached the Riggs House last week, and was one of Mrs. Carlisle's assistants on Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Robert Koons, of Philadelphia, who has been with the atterney general and Mrs. Browster since before the holidays, returns to Philadelphia with her infant son to-day.

Cards are out for Miss. Dora Miller's snnual fancy dress ball, which will take

Cards are out for Miss Dora Miller's annual fancy dress ball, which will take place on Tuesday evening, Feb. 10. Costumes are now being discussed and decided upon, and the fete will be as brilliant as either of its predecessors, that have ranked among the memorable events for the younger circles of society for two winters.

winters.

Mrs. Pembroke Jones has lately recoived as a present from her husband a
span of fine thoroughbred carriage horses
and a handsome carriage.

Mrs. Lewis Beach expects to be joined
by her daughter, Mrs. Millford, formerly
Miss Effe Beach, toward the close of the
naxt week

next week. Miss Patterson, of New York, is the Miss Patterson, of New York, is the guest of Gen. Williamson's daughters, and was at the white house on Tuesday evening with Senator and Mrs. Bowen.
Mrs. Chandler, the mother of Mrs. Eugeno Hale, concluded her visit here this week and went back to Detroit.

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Mme. de Struve's fine collection of 975 antique teapots made during her residence in Tokio, were presented two years ago to a museum in St. Petersburg, whither she went from Japan, after only a short stop in Washington on the way.

As February draws near the winter suddenly shortens. Society has only two weeks and two days left it before Ash Wednesday, which comes on the 18th it is only a step to the 21st, the day of the monument dedication; after that it is only eleven days to the 4th of March, and after that—ihe deluge.

Representative and Mrs. Lyman gave a handsome dinner party on Thursday evening. Their pleasant heme on Highland place, which they bought when they first came here, will soon be offered for sale, as they will not return here another winter.

The Japanese minister and Mme. Kuki will give their fest large and acceptance.

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will give their first large entertainment here on Tuesday evening. Besides her two little children, Mme. Kuki has with her her niece, a young girl who is attending school here.

The ravages of the season are telling very plainly in the faces of some of the popular beauties and society favorites, and those who have been "bidding high for crow's feet" by late hours and party suppers are showing the results in tell-tale wrinkles and heavy eyes. Some very haggard faces are to be seen at social gatherings now, and the usual number of society's invalids will be laid up in a few weeks and for all spring.

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Most amusing mistakes are sometimes made by native born Americans, who bestow a title upon every member of the diplomstic corps, whether he has one or not. The Russian minister, Mr. Charles de Struve, and the German minister, Mr. de Struve, and the German minister, Mr. H. von Aivensleben, are very often spoken of as Baron Struve-and Baron Aivensleben, and even the envoy of republican France is spoken of as Count Roustan. The Hon. Lionel S. West, the British minister, is often called Lord West, and one might go on multiplying instances in which plain Mr. or Monsieur is perverted into a title of nobility by a democratic people. Likecratic people. Like-inual references to there are none at this capital. If by any chance an ambassador is among us "Richelicu" Robinson ought to be in-formed at once. Now, the Washington newspapers never let such fisgrant errors newspapers never let such lagrant errors creep into their printed columns, of course, and this suggestion will only be needed by these living outside of the capital. Baron Schaeffer and Mr. David King were among those cutertaining dinner

were among those entertaining dinner companies last ovening.

The performance of the opera of "Paul and Virginia," at the new opera heuse this evening, is an important event for society, and the amateurs and their friends are greatly excited at the prespect of the final representation. A world of work has been put upon it and all the participants soverely drilled. Even those who have only to walk across the stage once during the evening have been made to repeat it eight and ten times at a single rehearsal. There was a great struggle to peat it eight and ten times at a single rehearsal. There was a great struggle to get the young ladies to dress in the coarse and common garments suitable to slaves, they preferring to be the picturesque slaves of the fancy dress ball in gay satins, strings of seguins, and broad barbaric bracelets. The dancing of the minuet will be one of the prettiest scenes of the opera. companies last evening.

until Monday, when he returned home.

Mr. Evarts was accompanied by his daughter, and while here was interested to note the changes that have taken place in the northwestern part of the city. He will bring his family here in the fall and establish himself in a house for his six years' stay.

Mrs. and Miss Decker, of Californis, who have been such agreeable additions to winter society, left this week for New Orleans where they are to visit friends until after the Mardi Gras. Mrs. Decker is related to connections of Mrs. McCulloch's, and the two ladles havefunany old family friends in common.

Soner Valera, the Spanish minister, is soon to vacate his house on Lafayette Square which has been bought by Mr. Washington McLesn and will move further up town. Mr. McLean's family will soon take possession of the house which will henceforth be their winter home.

Miss Waits, who remains at home during her parents' absence in Florida, received on Monday, assisted by her slaterin-law, Mrs. Christopher Waite, and has attended many of the evening entertainments of the week. All word received from the chisf justicespeaks of his renowing his health and strength and deriving great benefit from his frip.

Senator Hill and his family have Prince Colonna and Miss Evs Mackey

was so filled with guests at one time that the staircase was fairly blocked, but the the staircase was fairly blocked, but the utmost enjoyment provailed and there was pleasure in seeing how many admir-ing friends the cavalry here and his heautiful wife possess. Mrs. Sheridan was a charming figure, standing just withwas a charming figure, standing just within her parlor portieres, in a dress of white
satin with low corange and long train.
The trimmings were lace and
silver and crystal bended balls, and her
necklace and ornaments were of pale pink
coral. Col. and Mrs. Michael Sheridan
also assisted them in caring for their
guests, the latter wearing a toilet of
black satin and jet. There were many
pretty drasses worn, Mrs. Browster appearing in a coppor yellow allk embroidand now that the government is about to right the century's wrong there is a great overhauling of old trunks in progress, and many of the claimants' papers have been lost and mislaid. Mr. Elliott's book, "The Bassett Claim" the latest novel of Washington life, tells the story of the French spoliations in a clear and interesting manner.

Mrs. Wise, of Virginia, so pleasantly announced in the local press as having been a bride of last season, takes a matrouly pleasure in correcting that statement, and is quite proud of her five little children. The baby daughter, now Mrs. Halliday were orange satin.

with her, is the latest addition to the family group. Mrs. Wise will remain at the Arlington until the close of the session.

Mrs. Christopher Magee, of Pittsburg, who has been the guest of Mrs. P. B. Conger and Mrs. Don Cameron during this first month of the sesson, is now visiting Mrs. Austiu Brown, whom Mrs. Magee first knew in Gromany.

Miss Heard, of Beston, who has been the guest of Miss, West at the British legation for several weeks, will visit Mrs. Bobeson and Mrs. Loring before she leaves Washington.

Mrs. George E. Spencer, who is one of the striking figures in society this scason, roceives at the Arlington on Friday afternoons. Many praises are being bestowed upon her for her literary successes now that the identity of the modest "American" is established as the author of "Salt Lake Fruit."

Mrs. Eugene Hale had many visitors on Thursday afternoon, and was assisted by Miss Heard, who presided over the teatable in the dining reom.

Mrs. Crisig Wadsworth, whose hopeless invalid sm and retirement from society has been such a grief to her friends, shows little change in her condition. Her strong constitution alone cuable her to combat her maisdy, and will keep her up for a long time.

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Miss Sherrill, Mrs. C. C. Watte, Miss Watte, and very many others.

There was another of the Friday evening receptions at the Russion legation last night, and many of the guests went first to Gen. Sheridan's house, so that first to Gen. Sheridan's house, so that there was a stream of guests coming in until midnight. The Minister and Mme. de Struve received their guests with that cordiality and looked after their onjoyment with such attentions as have made their fotes among the most agreeable of any given here. There was a crush of guests and rich toilets, and daneing was kept up in the ball room until well into the morning. A handsome supper was served, and the occasion was one of the rarest enjoyment.

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Miss Ella Sturgis leaves te-morrow for Prairie-du-Chien, Wis. to spend some weeks with her sister, Mrs. Donaman. Her brother, Lieut. Sam Sturgis, starts.

for California at the same time, and will secompany her to Prairie-du-Chien. Mrs. Austin Browne gave a very protty lunch party this week complimentary to her guest, Mrs. Mages.

ARCTIC APPELLATIONS. Secretary Lincoln's Suggestions Re-

garding Names on the Polar Maps. The following extract from an indorse

ment placed by Secretary Lincoln upon a communication from the secretary of the navy touching the nomenclature of points in the Arctic regions to be adopted in the preparation of a new map by the navy department, to which reference was made in yesterday's REPUBLICAN, sets forth the reasons for changes from the designations suggested by Lieut. Greely: There is a serious objection to giving the name of Capt. Pim to the island heretofore supposed to be a headland and known as Cape Sabins. The locality is so well known as Cape Sabins that if the island is to be given a new name, as such, it should be Sabine Island to prevent unnecessary confusion in referring to it.

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I appreciate the motive of Lieut. Groely in attaching my own name to one of the points on the map, but if it is thought proper that the point should be named, I wish some other designation to be substituted on any map hereafter published.

Upon the general subject of new designations put upon this map it is my judgment that a map such as is proposed to be made by the navy department should not be filled with names of persons placed there for no other reason except their personal relations to the officers connected with the Greely expedition. It is a matter of taste and propriety or which opinions might differ to some extent, but admitting one or two exceptions, if desired by Lieut, Greely, it seems to me that as a general rule the new names placed on the map should be such that the reason for their appearance would be seen by those having a fair knowledge of the history of the expedition and of its personnel. The propriety of using the names in shitable places on this map of the fate President Garfield, of President Arthur, of the late Secretary Hunt, of Gen. Hazen, of Senstor Couger, or of officers and men of the expedition would not be questioned. So also as to the names of Commander Schley and Lieut. Emery, and there is no serious objection to and men of the expedition would not questioned. So also as to the names of Co mander feelbey and Lieut. Emory, a there is no serious objection such special exceptions as the na of Lieut. Greely's wife or of Lieut. Lockwoo sister. But when it comes to putting on number of names of officers of the army, he ever highly setecmed, selected from the hidreds on the army register, not by reason their military position or service or any o nection with Arctle matters, but merely marks of personal friendship—such as G Pope, Gen. Augur, Gen. Meigra, Gen. Alve Col. Merritt, Col. R. I. Dodge, Capt. J. M. R dall, Maj. J. S. Fietcher, jr. Lieut. Manuel rope, teen Angur, teel, acigs, Geb. Alvors,
Col. Merritt, Col. R. I. Dodge, Capt. J. M. Randall, Maj. J. S. Fietcher, jr., Lieut. Mauning,
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Capt. D. M. Taylor, "and othera"—as stated in
Lieut. Greely's indorsement, or of private individuals or little children for the more sake
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I think it not unlikely if the estimable officers above named were consulted nearly all of them would prefer that, in the absence of any association on their part with the enterprise, or with arotic exploration in general, and of any apparent reason for using their hames in such connection, their names should not be used. In the absence of any roport as to the necessity of giving designations to so many points, it seems to me that a sufficiently complete map to accompany Lieut. Greely's report could be made using designations within the genoral rule which I have indicated, with one or two personal exceptions, which would be recognized as proper to be made at the instance of officers having the peculiar connection with the expedition neld by Lieut. Greely and Lieut. Lockwood.

It is to be observed that the report of Lieut. Greely does not apparently include all the newly given names that would fall within the line of the criticisms above made. Any official maps propared for publication by the war department will be made to conform to the views expressed in this indorsement.

Rollers T. Lincoln, Secretary of War.

Civil Service Officers Above \$1,500, Mr. Gregory, of the civil service commission, has made the following statement in regard to the classification of chiefs of divisions and other officers above the \$1,800 grade, but who are not subject to confirmation by the senate. The commission does not control class-ification, it being the duty of the heads

of departments, under the direction of the President, to classify their respective departments. The civil service act itself provides, section 7, for the inclusion of all officials, clerks, and employes in the all officials, clerks, and employes in the executive service, excepting those requiring to be confirmed by the senate, and those employed merely as laborers and workmen. All others come within the limits of classification, Chiefs of bureas and divisions are exempted from examination, not because they are classified, but by rule 19, which specially except them, not from classification, but from examination. Had they been counted as outside the classified service by law, no exemption by rule would have been necessary or proper. The lower limit of classification has for more than a year, in several departments, included persons receiving a salary of \$720.

ABOUT PEOPLE.

UNITED STATES COMMISSIONER JOHN L. DAVES PORT, of New York, is at Welcker's.

HRAM STOKES, M. A., the manager of Lyceum Theater, is at the Arlington Hotel. Mr. W. F. Perillion, the editor and propri-etor of the Bodge City Democral, of Kansas, arrived here yesterday and has quarters at the

Mu. FRANK THOMSON, the second vice pres ident of the Pennsylvania Railway, and Mrs. Thomson, arrived here yesterday and have quarters at Wormley's, where they will remain about a week.

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MERSER GARDNER R. COLBY and H. Stanton
Hurd, of New York, and John Stetson, of Newton, Mass., arrived at the Riggs House last night. These gentlemen compose a commitee sent here to confar with the judiciary com mittee of congress on the proposed modifica-tion of the bankrupt law.

Ms. William Care, the father of Gen. Berl.

Card, U. S. A., died last Tuesday at his els of the dress. Miss home at Newport, R. L. aged 9s years, 9 stirred in pale blue months and 3 days. He was the oldest claisen of Newport, and his physical and mental panels of crush ross. Strength and vigor was remarkable until within a few days of his death. ODDS AND ENDS. MY SOUTHERN HOME.

I can but love my southern home
The vines that clust ring round me grew,
The rills that bubbled o'er with foam— The friends f once in childhood knew.

the birds that piped their leveliest lay, With notes so soft and full of gleo-o, sweetest home! how sweet in May The perfumed flowers that bloomed

The sun sank low behind the hill. My mother sat in carcless case, The cows with tinkling bells were still— How soft this twilight hour to me.

Under the walnut tree I lay, While ev'ning zephyrs round me Upon the heath the new-made hay, Scented the resents earth and sky.

Around my home the daisles bloom, And yet in colder climes I stray; Dark o'er my soul there steals a gloom-The shadow of a vanished day DOLLIE P. ARNOLD

KING HUMBERT, of Italy, has undertaken the task of effecting a reconciliation be-tween Plon-Plon Bonaparte and his wife.

Ir is reported that Mrs. Tom Thumb again contemplates matrimony, and that the wedding cards are among the probabilities of the near future. New Orleans has a larger proportion

of women to men than any other American city. That proportion is whites five to four and blacks four to three. A LINGUIST is doing service as a policeman in a ratiroad station at Macon, Ga. He can converse in seven different languages, has two more imperfectly in his head, and before six months have passed hopes to add three

more to his repertoire. IT is said that had not an explanation been given, which caused the commissioners of awards to revoke their decision, the second prize for butter at the Calcutta exhibition

prize for butter at the castine sample of would have been given to a fine sample of CAPT. JOHN M. FRENCH, of Springvale, Wis, is a veteran of the war of 1812, and was in action at Lundy's Lane. Fort Eric and other contested points. He has thirty-eight grand-children, sixy-three great-grandchild-dren, and one great-great-grandchild-

THE most heavily loaded infantry soldier is the Swiss. When fully equipped he carries a load of 34,405 kilogrammes, while the Russian carries 31,585, the Italian 35,540, the English 28,305, the German 28,200, the

French 27,750, and the Austrian 27,739. OF J. N. Nesmith, recently United States senator from Oregon, who is in an asylum in that state, the San Francisco Call says: "His condition grows daily more hopeless. His insanity was brought on by domestic troubles, which occurred less than three months ago."

FRANCE produced 782,566,335 gallons

FRANCE produced responsible gainers of white last year-27,000,000 gallons test than 1883. With the exception of nine departments in the northwest, wine is produced in every part of France. Owing to the ravages of physicsers, 120,000 acres of vineyards had to be rooted up during the year. THE news of the proposed law prohibiting foreigners from holding real estate in the United States produced consternation in Great Britain until it was telegraphed from this side

of the water that no one in this country ex-pected the hill to become a law or deemed it practicable or likely to be enforced if it should. GREEK meets Greek : Plumber-Well. I stopped that leak up at your house. Coal merchant—All right. What's your bill? Plumber—Oh, I'll let you off light. [Call it \$04.

Coal merchant-Very well. I sent that ton of

coal up to your house this afternoon. Giv me \$4 and we'll call it squar. I don't want t be hard on you. "HULLO, doctor !" exclaimed Blank, where are you going?" Doctor—"They've sent for me up at Fenderson's; he's very sick, they say," Blank—"But how did he happen to send for you? He said the other night that you were a horse doctor." Doctor—"And, pray, why shouldn't a horse doctor be a safe

man to treat a donkey !" HENRY M. STANDEY is pushing to its completion the manuscript of a work on his African labors. The work will bear the title, "Congo; or, the Founding of a State; a Story of Work and Exploration." It will consist of two good sized volumes, and it is expected that the

manuscript will be ready for the printe TIBERIAS is the only town of any size on the sea of Gaillee to-day. It is a mainly Hebrow settlement of 3,000 or 4,000 semi-bar-barians, surrounded by a ruinous old wall that is manifestly Roman. Half a dozen tiredlooking pain trees rise above the roofs of the squalid buildings, serving only to emphasize the universal desolation. The lake itself is

really beautiful time 30,000 locomotives. To keep up the stand-ard and supply new demands, 1,300 must be built each year. Locomotives cost on an aver-age \$10,000 each, which would indicate an expenditure of \$12,000,000 this year. There are sixteen locomotive works in the United States

among whom this work and money will be more or less evenly distributed. ONE of the curiosities of the New Or. leans Exposition is an air flower from the City of Mexico. It is two inches long and resembles a beetle with wings and horns. The wings are a light sea-green color, dotted with specks. The body of the flower is pale yellow and deep orange, and gives a slight hyacinthe perfume. Including the broad banana-shaped leaves, the autire plant looks as though molded

LITERARY talent is kept fully abreast of roller skating progress at Brunswick, Ga., where one of the papers prints "rink per-sonals" like these: "Miss Julia Futch glided around the hall like a sunbeam playing upon the crests of the sparkling waves. Mrs. McIver is quite at home on the rollers, and skates as oothly as the swan glides over the passive waters. Miss Mary Stacy flitted around the hall like a light-winged dove on some heavenly

THE Tichborne claimant has taken up pigeon shooting since his release. He tool part in two matches for £50 a side, at twenty five birds each, at Leeds the other day, agains Mr. W. Graham, of London, and Mr. G. Hr. Fowler, both well-known shots. In the first match, Mr. Fowler was declared the winner at the nineteenth bird, having killed thirteen birds to the claimant's seven. In the second match the claimant shot much better, Mr. Graham winning by only one bird.

Some of the most cherished popular be liefs are hopelessly destroyed by science : Cat-gut is derived from sheep; German silver was not invented in Germany, and contains ne silver; Cleopatra's needle was not crected by her, nor in her honor; Pompey's pillar had no historical connection with that personage scaling wax does not contain a particle of wax; the tuberose is not a rose, but a polyanth; the strawberry is not a berry. Turkish baths did not originate in Turkey, and are not baths at all; whalebone is not hone, and contains not any of its proporties.

OWING to the growing depression in the corn crop the Russian government has de-cided to start the coming summer a tea plan-tation on a large scale at Soukum Kall in the Caucasus region, and to import coolies from China to work it. Experiments in a small way have proven that ica can be grown in the Caucasus, but so far it has cost almost as much per pound as that grown by the United States covernment in South Carolina, which was a matter of \$2.80 a pound or thereabouts. Russians are great tes drinkers, imperting annually 72,000,000 pounds, one-half of which is brought overland across fiberia, and the remainder to Odessa and Cronstadt by sea.

GEN. GORDON is a great smoker, and is amply provided with tobacco. He has two palaces at Khartoum and a gun in position on the flat roof of each of them. At sunrise daily he mounts to the roof and makes a careful survey of the whole country with his tale scope, and marks any changes which may have taken place in the enemy's position. If nothing unusual has happened, and there are no signs of any movement on the part of the Mahdi's men, he retires into his quarters and sleeps the greater part of the day. Ho rises before sunset, and after darkness has set in he starts for the ramparts, which he per-ambuildes all night, seeing that the sentries are all properly posted and on the alert, and cheering the troops by his conversation and